A true Relation OF THE Horrid and Bloody Massacre IN SCOTLAND,

By the *Irish* Papists; who Landed Sixty Miles from *Edinburgh*, putting all to Fire and Sword, in their way to that City.

Barwick, Decemb. 23, 1688.

SIR,

YEster-night we had the sad and surprizeing News, by an Express of the Council of *Scotland* to our Governor, that about 20000. *Irish* were Landed in *Scotland*, about Sixty Miles from *Edinburgh*, putting all to Fire and Sword; to whom 'tis said the Apostate Chancellour of that Kingdom, will joyn with the rest of the Bloody Papists there. And truly, Sir, that Kingdom being un-arm'd, and undisciplined, those Massacres will in short space run a great length. I desire you may disperse this News abroad, if it be not in Town, before your Receipt of this; for that Country, and the North of *England*, without speedy relief, is in great danger of depopulation: And the Duke of *Gordon* hath in his possession the Castle of *Edinburgh*; whereby he can at pleasure level that City with the Ground. At 12 of the Clock yester-night, our Governor, Lieutenant Collonel *Billingsley*, dispatched an Express to the Lords *Danby* and *Lumley*, for drawing their Forces to this Town. I received yours to day, which being *Sabbath* day, I beg your Pardon for brevity.

I was told, they see some of the Fires and Burnings of those Rebels at *Edinburgh*; this is the beginning of the Discovery of the Popish Intrigue. God defend *England* from the *French*, and his Highness the *Prince* of *Orange* from Bloody *Popish* attempts.

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